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In regard to the application of: Gideon STEIN

Serial No : 09/723,755

Group Art Unit: 3661

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Examiner: NGUYEN, T. V.

For : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETECTING OBSTACLES TO VEHICLE
MOTION AND DETERMINING TIME TO CONTACT THEREWITH USING
SEQUENCES OF IMAGES.

2ND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Applicants respectfully direct the attention of the Examiner to additional art cited with respect to U.S. application No. 09/723,755.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review and consider this art, in accordance with MPEP 2001.06, MPEP 1893.03(e) and MPEP 1893.03(g) and to indicate in the next office action that he has considered this art. Additionally, the Examiner is respectfully requested to cite those prior art publications mentioned in this application which the Examiner considers to be material or relevant to the present claims.

Further, in order to comply with discretionary regulations 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, attached is an Equivalent to Form PTO-1449 listing the cited art. Also attached are copies¹ of the art. This art contains information which the examiner may consider to be important in deciding whether to allow the present application to issue as a patent.

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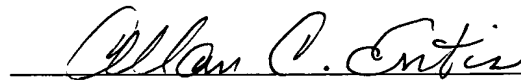
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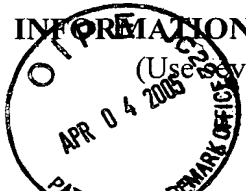
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	2	5,529,138	Jun 25, 96	Shaw Judy Z. Z. et al.			
	3	5,646,612	Jul 8, 97	Byon Sung-Kwang			
	4	5,809,161	Sep. 15, 98	Auty et al.			
	5	5,913,375	Jun. 22, 99	Nishikawa			
	6	5,987,152	Nov 16, 99	Weisser			
	7	6,246,961	Jun 12, 94	Ishikawa Naote et al.			

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